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## Kansas Cattle on Feed

The number of **cattle on feed** on January 1, 2005 in Kansas feedlots with 1,000 head or more capacity totaled 2.41 million head, down 1 percent from a year ago but 1 percent above the number on hand December 1, 2004. **Placements** during December totaled 490,000 head, up 20 percent from a year ago and 26 percent above November 2004 placements of 390,000 head. **Marketings** during December totaled 450,000 head, 3 percent above December 2003 and 22 percent above November 2004. **Other disappearance** was 20,000 head, down 5,000 from a year ago and down 10,000 head from the previous month. The percent of December placements by weight was: under 600 pounds, 20 percent; 600-699 pounds, 36 percent; 700-799 pounds, 28 percent; and 800 pounds or heavier, 16 percent.

## U.S. Cattle on Feed

**Cattle and calves** on feed for slaughter market in the United States from feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.3 million head on January 1, 2005. The inventory was slightly above January 1, 2004 and 6 percent above January 1, 2003. **Placements** in feedlots during December totaled 1.83 million, 5 percent above 2003 and 14 percent above 2002. Net placements were 1.74 million. During December, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 465,000, 600-699 pounds were 558,000, 700-799 pounds were 489,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 322,000. **Marketings** of fed cattle during December totaled 1.78 million, 2 percent above 2003 but 1 percent below 2002. **Other disappearance** totaled 92,000 during December, 2 percent above 2003 but 7 percent below 2002.

**Cattle On Feed, Placements, Marketings, And Other Disappearance,  
1,000+ Head Capacity Feedlots, Selected States and United States, December - January 2004 - 2005**

State	Number on Feed <sup>1</sup>				December Placements		December Marketings		Other Disappearance during December <sup>2</sup>	
	Dec 1 2004	January 1								
		2004	2005	% of 2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004
	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	(%)	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	1,000 Head
AZ .....	329	293	331	113	32	33	22	30	1	1
CA .....	530	510	535	105	70	72	55	62	5	5
CO .....	1,100	1,040	1,080	104	180	135	190	145	10	10
ID .....	305	300	295	98	53	55	60	62	3	3
IA .....	435	370	450	122	50	71	48	55	2	1
<b>KS .....</b>	<b>2,390</b>	<b>2,430</b>	<b>2,410</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>410</b>	<b>490</b>	<b>435</b>	<b>450</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>20</b>
NE .....	2,300	2,280	2,300	101	350	390	340	380	10	10
NM .....	129	115	126	110	14	14	17	15	3	2
OK .....	355	355	350	99	53	53	45	52	3	6
SD .....	186	200	192	96	31	42	30	34	1	2
TX .....	2,740	2,830	2,700	95	420	405	410	420	20	25
WA .....	185	200	190	95	30	39	38	32	2	2
Oth Sts ....	360	330	350	106	55	35	50	40	5	5
U.S.	11,344	11,253	11,309	100	1,748	1,834	1,740	1,777	90	92

<sup>1</sup> Being fattened for slaughter market on grain or other concentrates to grade select or better. <sup>2</sup> Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pastures and shipments to other feedlots.



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**Cattle On Feed: Number Placed On Feed By Weight Group,  
1,000+ Head Capacity Feedlots, Selected States and United States, December 2003-2004**

State	Placed in December									
	Under 600 lbs.		600-699 lbs.		700-799 lbs.		800 Plus lbs.		Total	
	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>
CO .....	45	25	50	40	60	45	25	25	180	135
<b>KS .....</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>410</b>	<b>490</b>
NE .....	68	60	104	117	100	114	78	99	350	390
TX .....	150	130	140	135	100	110	30	30	420	405
Other States .....	145	150	80	91	78	85	85	88	388	414
U.S. ....	503	465	529	558	448	489	268	322	1,748	1,834

**Kansas Milk Production Up 1.9 Percent and U.S. Up 0.9 Percent**

The October-December 2004 **milk production in Kansas** totaled 540 million pounds, up 1.9 percent from production during the same quarter in 2003. The number of milk cows was estimated at 113,000 cows, up 3,000 from the same quarter a year ago. The quarterly production per cow averaged 4,779 pounds, a 39 pound decrease from the October-December period last year.

The quarterly **production of milk for the U.S.** was 41.9 billion pounds, up 0.9 percent from the October-December quarter last year. The average number of milk cows in the U.S. during the quarter was 9.02 million head, 7,000 head more than the same period a year earlier. U.S. milk production per cow during the third quarter averaged 4,646 pounds, up 37 pounds from the comparable 2003 average.

For economic analysis and market implications of this report, please go to [www.agmanager.info/livestock/marketing/outlook/newsletters/default.asp](http://www.agmanager.info/livestock/marketing/outlook/newsletters/default.asp) and click on the latest Cattle Outlook provided by Dr. Jim Mintert, Extension Ag Economist with KSU-Research & Extension Service.